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RE: AMB v Thomas J. Petrone, M.D.

Case # MD-06-0350A

Dear Mr. Jones:

The purpose of this letter is to inform you that during the course of the December 6-7, 2006, public meeting, the Arizona Medical Board (Board) reviewed the abovereferenced complaint and all pertinent evidence and information gathered during the investigation. At the conclusion of its review, the Board voted to issue Dr. Petrone this Advisory Letter for failure to properly monitor Lithium resulting in renal failure.

An advisory letter is a non-disciplinary action, and is not subject to review by either the Board or the Courts. See Murphy v. Board of Medical Examiners of the State of Arizona, 190 Ariz. 441, 949 P.2d 530 (App. 1997). However, the licensee may file a written response to the letter with the Board within thirty days after its receipt A.R.S. § 32-1451(E)(2). If timely received, the response will be attached to the advisory letter and maintained in the licensee's permanent file. The written response will also be hyperlinked to the licensee's profile on the agency's website.

Sincerely,

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